

State of Hawaii
DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES
Division of Forestry and Wildlife
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

September 12, 2008

Chairperson and Members
Board of Land and Natural Resources
State of Hawaii
Honolulu, Hawaii

Land Board Members:

SUBJECT: CONTRACT FOR THE DELIVERY OF FOUR REMOTE AREA
WEATHER STATIONS (RAWS) BETWEEN THE
DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES
AND FTS FOREST TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS LTD. - GOODS
OR SERVICES BASED UPON COMPETITIVE SEALED BIDS,
NO. IFB-DOFAW-08-K4

BACKGROUND:

Attached is a contract between the Department of Land and Natural Resources and FTS Forest Technology Systems Ltd. for the delivery of four RAWS stations, two to be delivered to the Oahu Branch and two to the Hawaii Branch of the Division of Forestry and Wildlife.

On June 13, 2008, the Division of Forestry and Wildlife solicited for competitive sealed bids (bid no. IFB-DOFAW-08-K4) to furnish and deliver two RAWS stations for the Hawaii Branch. On June 18, 2008, an addendum was made to the bid to include two additional RAWS to be furnished and delivered to Oahu Branch. The closing bid date was June 26, 2008.

Two bids were received, one from FTS Forest Technology Systems Ltd. and one from Vaisala. FTS Forest Technology Systems Ltd. was the low bidder at \$77,422.22.

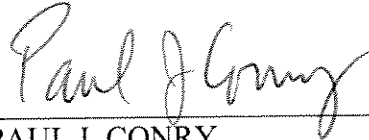
DISCUSSION:

The RAWS stations are used primarily to collect weather data (air temperature, relative humidity, fuel moisture, wind speed, and wind direction) for use in determining whether or not a red flag watch or warning is necessary and whether or not forest reserves, natural area reserves, and public hunting areas will be closed due to high fire danger.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board approve the contract between the Department and FTS Technology Ltd. for the furnishing and delivering of four RAWs stations pending approval as to form by the Deputy Attorney General and authorizes the Chairperson to sign the attached documents.

Respectfully submitted,



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Administrator

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL:



LAURA H. THIELEN, CHAIRPERSON
Board of Land and Natural Resources

Attachments